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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

The following extension of time is requested to respond to the Official Action dated March 31, 2000:

one month to July 31, 2000; the extension fee is [] \$55.00 [X] \$110.00.

[] The shortened statutory period has been reset by an Advisory Action dated

[X] An extension fee in the amount of \$ 110.00 is enclosed.

[] Charge \$ _____ to Deposit Account No. 02-4800.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4800. This paper is submitted in triplicate.

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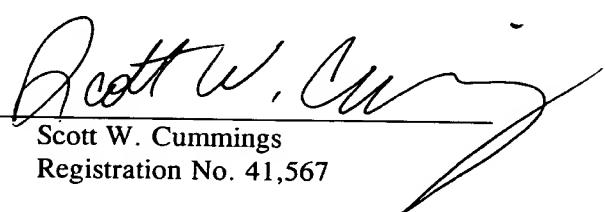
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